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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ENRG, CA

SUBJECT: SHARP INCREASE IN OIL EXPORT CHARGE FOR MAY

1. MACNABB, DEPUTY MINISTER, ENERGY, MINES AND RESOURCES, PHONED ECON COUNSELOR ON EVENING OF APRIL 6 TO GIVE "ADVANCE WARNING" OF PROBABLE SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN EXPORT CHARGE ON LIGHT CRUDE OIL IN MAY. RECOMMENDATION ON MINISTER DESK CALLS FOR INCREASE IN CHARGE OF \$0.85 BRINGING TOTAL CHARGE TO \$5.60. MACNABB SAID CANADIAN PRICE HAS BEEN DRAGGING WELL BEHIND THAT OF ALGERIAN SWEET CRUDE IN CHICAGO MARKET AND INCREASE IN EXPORT CHARGE IS ESSENTIALLY A CATCHING UP. HE ADDED THAT APPROXIMATELY 7-10 CENTS OF INCREASE COULD BE ATTRIBUTED TO EXCHANGE RATE CHANGE AND ANOTHER 10-13 CENTS REFLECTS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REASSESSMENT OF U.S. PIPELINE TRANSMISSION CHARGES.

2. MACNABB SAID THAT THERE WOULD BE JUSTIFICATION FOR INCREASING EXPORT CHARGE ON HEAVY CRUDE ALSO BUT THAT GOC HAS DECIDED TO HOLD LINE ON THIS BECAUSE OF ITS INTEREST IN MOVING HEAVY OIL.

3. MACNABB SAID IT WOULD PROBABLY BE ABOUT TWO WEEKS  
BEFORE INCREASE IN LIGHT CRUDE EXPORT CHARGE IS FORMAL-  
IZED BY ORDER-IN-COUNCIL. ENDERS

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